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Old Woman in Jail.

Emma Ware, an aged Durand woman, allowed her chickens to run wild in violation of a village ordinance and was fined \$5 or 5 days in jail. She refused to pay and is now a free boarder at Sheriff Griffin's.

Honor Angell's Memory.

A program for Angell day in honor of the late James B. Angell of the University of Michigan, will be given in the Owosso schools Oct. 18. Supt. M. W. Longman is preparing the program. Fire prevention day Oct. 9, will also be observed in the schools.

School Enrollment.

The total enrollment in the Owosso schools is 1999, 316 being in the high school, 14 in the normal, 113 in eighth grade, 187 in seventh, 179 in sixth, 186 in fifth, 189 in fourth, 209 in third, 211 in second, 196 in first and 164 in the Kindergarten.

Remembered by Assistants.

Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Hume have been presented with a hammered copper serving tray trimmed with polished brass by the assistant surgeons of the Ann Arbor Railroad who were under their chaperonage on the trip to the State Medical society meeting at Houghton recently.

Mrs. Derham Appeals.

Mrs. Floyd Derham of Durand, has appealed to the supreme court through her attorney L. F. Miner, the case against Henrietta Hovey to restrain removal of timber from land which Mrs. Derham has a deed. In the circuit court a jury sustained Mrs. Hovey's right to remove the timber under her life lease rights.

Noonon-Curtis.

The marriage of Miss Rena Curtis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Curtis, of Cornuna, and Harold Noonon, of Owosso, was solemnized at their home at 202 Cedar street by Rev. J. Frank Green, pastor of the Church of Christ, Tuesday evening. Both are well and favorably known and their many friends extend congratulations.

Examine School Children.

Judge Matthew Bush is urging the examination of all the school children of Owosso and Cornuna to determine how many suffer from adenoids and defective tonsils, and have them attended to. If parents are not able to pay the cost of operation it will be done at state expense. If the plan works well all children in the county may be looked after.

High School Foot Ball.

The high school foot ball team will begin its year's series at Durand, Saturday. The schedule for the year is arranged as follows:

Durand, there, Sept. 23; Ovid, here, Sept. 29; Alma, there, Oct. 7; open, Oct. 14; Mason, there, Oct. 21; Ithaca, here, Oct. 28; open, Nov. 4; Fenton, here, Nov. 11; Bay City Eastern, there, Nov. 18; open, Nov. 25.

Clark Refuses Nomination.

John R. Clark has notified County Clerk Nichols to take his name from the list of democratic candidates, refusing to run against Seth Q. Pulver, the republican nominee. The only other democratic attorney is filling the hopeless job of running against Congressman Fordney, so there will be no one on the democratic ticket for prosecutor.

Bolt Pleads Guilty.

Emmet C. Bolt of Bancroft, pleaded guilty in the circuit, Monday, to a violation of the Pray law by having liquor stored in a place other than his residence. The court deferred sentence to Oct. 2, with bail at \$500.

Bolt was arrested on complaint of Marshal Robinson of Bancroft, who was formerly employed in Bolt's garage where the liquor was kept illegally. Bolt made many trips to wet towns and evidence showed that he sold liquor. On account of the prominence of Bolt, who has been township clerk many years, Judge Miner took time to investigate before passing sentence.

Wreck and Fire on M. C. R. R.

A hot box on a freight car on a train coming from Lansing to Owosso on the M. C. railroad Sunday night caused a wreck north of Bennington, and the destruction by fire of four cars with their contents of meat and fruit. The wheel on the first car came off and the car jumped and landed crossways of the track, and the three cars following were all added to the pile before the train was stopped. The crew came to Owosso and the wreckage took fire, the other cars being saved by an engine from Lansing which was sent for. The wrecking crew from Bay City cleared up the wreck so that traffic was renewed Monday noon.

STATE CONVENTION

King's Daughters of Michigan Will Meet in Owosso, Oct. 4, 5, 6.

The complete program for the state convention of King's Daughters to be held in Christ Episcopal church in this city Oct. 4, 5 and 6, is nearly completed and will be published in full next week.

Dr. Willette, dean of the Divinity School of Chicago University, will speak on Thursday evening, Oct. 5. A banquet will be served Wednesday evening by the ladies of the First M. E. church.

Dr. B. G. Mattson will address the meeting devoted to junior work on Wednesday.

The Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church will serve dinner and supper on Thursday and Friday.

ASSIGNED TO CARO.

Rev. J. Hartley Cansfield Will Be Succeeded by Rev. E. J. Warren.

The Detroit conference of the Methodist Episcopal church at its sessions just closed, assigned Rev. J. Hartley Cansfield, for three years the popular and successful pastor of the First M. E. church in this city, to Caro, and Rev. E. J. Warren now pastor at Caro, will become his successor. Rev. W. J. Dudgeon of Flint, will succeed Rev. T. B. McGee as pastor of the Cornuna avenue church, and Rev. J. B. Wallace will continue as pastor at the Asbury church in this city.

Rev. McGee who retired several years ago, has supplied at the Cornuna avenue church since the resignation of Rev. E. W. Foster last spring. Rev. McGee will supply at the Bennington church.

Rev. F. M. Purdy will become pastor at Cornuna, succeeding Rev. Deiche who has supplied since Rev. C. E. Doty was given a leave of absence early in the summer.

140 Prisoners in County Jail in Six Months.

The semi-annual inspection of the county jail was made Friday by Judge of Probate Bush, Supts. of the Poor A. W. Green and E. Henry, and Probation Officer Hugh M. Nichols, and the jail found in excellent condition. 140 persons were confined in the jail during the six months, 6 being women, 43 were arrested for being drunk, 20 for local option violations, 5 for contempt of court, 3 for using indecent language, 3 for desertion, 2 for violating paroles, 7 for larceny, 3 for embezzlement, 43 for adultery, 6 for statutory crimes, 2 for jumping board bills, 1 each for child abandonment and removing mortgaged property, 11 for vagrancy, 13 for jumping railway trains, 1 for forgery, 1 for auto speeding, 2 for assault and battery, 1 for resisting an officer, 2 for obtaining goods under false pretenses, 1 for assault with intent to do great bodily harm.

Fraternal Voters' League.

At a meeting of insurance men of the city and other interested citizens Friday night it was decided to endorse the proposed fraternal amendment and a vigorous campaign is to be launched in behalf of the measure. The amendment, if passed, places the power of fraternal legislation in the hands of the various organizations. A local branch of the Fraternal Voters' League was formed with the following officers:

President, W. E. Bullard; vice president, L. C. Hall; secretary, E. D. Horn; treasurer, G. L. Taylor; commissioners, A. F. Hollis and Clarence Danforth.

The adoption of the amendment, according to insurance men, would make "sell outs" and "freeze outs" an impossibility.

To Become Doctor.

Rev. Paul Stappenbeck who recently resigned as pastor of St. Johannes Evangelical German church at the corner of Washington and Oliver streets, has left for Chicago to study medicine at the University of Chicago. He will pay his way by preaching in and near Chicago. Mrs. Stappenbeck and their three children will go to Minnesota to make their home with her parents during his stay in college.

Rev. G. W. Webbink of Warren, Mich., has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Owosso church and will begin his work Oct. 15.

Claims \$5,000 Damages.

Mrs. Sarah Powers through her attorney N. R. Walsh, has begun suit against J. Menzo Bentley of Owosso, for \$5,000 damages, claiming that a carriage in which she and her children were riding was struck by an automobile driven by Mr. Bentley, giving her a severe nervous shock and other injuries, and that her infant child was hurt.

CIRCUIT COURT

Judge Miner excused four men from serving on the jury in the circuit court, Monday, because of pressing business matters.

Several motions were argued Monday. Mrs. Zelma Richards, plaintiff in a damage suit against W. P. Stranch, was given 60 days in which to file security for costs in the sum of \$460. W. A. Seegmiller her attorney, said she had no funds and to order her to file security would be shutting her out of court, but the order was made and she will attempt to secure help.

Under the arrangement of the calendar, the case of the Ithaca Gleaner Farmers' Elevator Co. vs. Symes, Eagle & Co., was the first jury case to be tried. Those on call were: George Eastlick et al. vs. Henry W. Sachs et al.; William G. Duffield vs. Edward Beamish, an appeal from justice court in Owosso, and George N. Ball vs. Elbert Henry, Charles Van Slyke et al. On pre-emptory call are those of Edward Armstrong, of Owosso, against the Ann Arbor railroad company; Guy I. Rohrabacher vs. Larkus Ash, of Lansingburg, and Frances Blum, of Saginaw, by her next friend, Clara Blum vs. Almon L. Chase, of Owosso. That of the Co-operative Foundry Co. vs. Martin B. Zuber, of Owosso, was placed at the foot of the calendar.

It was announced that the case of Louis Eyon, of Cornuna, against the Ann Arbor railroad company, had been practically settled, and it went over the term. The case of Samuel J. Kinkert vs. Dr. A. L. Arnold went over the term by consent.

Andrew Barber of Lansing, who is charged with selling liquor illegally at Perry, failed to answer when his case was called in the circuit court, and his bond of \$500 was declared forfeited. Barber appeared in court Monday afternoon, pleaded not guilty and was released on a new bond of \$500 to appear for trial later. His first bond was reinstated after being forfeited when he explained that his failure to appear was simply a misunderstanding.

Judge Miner, Thursday, granted a divorce to Mrs. Pearl Baker in her suit against Benjamin Baker, charging non-support and cruelty. He gave the mother custody of the minor son, Ernest Baker, until he is 16 years old. The court also decreed that the father should pay two dollars a week until the boy reaches the age of 16 years. The father is allowed to see the boy once a month, and may be alone with his son for two hours. Mr. Baker must also pay \$225 permanent alimony. The couple resided near Durand. E. S. Atherton was attorney for the plaintiff.

Flossie Soper, aged 18 years, was given a divorce from Albert Soper, of Owosso. She was married when 15 years old and said that both were afraid to tell their parents. They never lived together. She informed her parents a few weeks ago of the wedding. He recently started proceedings to have the marriage annulled and the wife began divorce action.

Elva Boyd, of Owosso, was granted a decree from Leon C. Boyd and the custody of the three children. They were married in 1900. She charged cruelty.

Cecil Galloway, of Perry, was given a decree from Alice Galloway. They were married in July, 1915, and he charged infidelity. He had letters sent to her from other men.

Lester Brown, aged 21, of Owosso, was granted a decree from Lizzie Brown, aged 21. Patrolman Merle Kerby and William Fuller were witnesses for the complainant. The court ordered that the woman should not marry for two years. Infidelity was charged.

The decree granted to Anna M. Grafe, aged 54, from A. H. Grafe, aged 50, was held up by the court pending settlement of a question now in the probate court, concerning property.

Anna D. Furey, aged 56, was granted a decree from William Furey, aged 78 years. They resided near Owosso. The bill was not contested and a property agreement had been reached giving the wife \$300.

Root-Lucas.

The marriage of Miss Gladys K. Root, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Root, of Caledonia township, to Geo. A. Lucas, of Grand Rapids, was solemnized Saturday, September 16, at the home of Rev. Mr. Cross, of Cornuna. The bride's sister, Mrs. Grace J. Shank, and brother, Howard A. Root, attended the young couple. They will reside in Grand Rapids.

The bride is a graduate of the Owosso Business College and has always made her home in the vicinity of Owosso. Many friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

Lamb Creek Drain.

The contract for the construction of the Lamb Creek drain has been let by Commissioners Griffin, of this county, and Roethke, of Saginaw, at a total cost of \$42,000.

The attendance at the sale, which was held at Loynes hall, Chapin, was the largest ever at a drain sale in Saginaw county. The drain is being dug jointly between Shiawassee and Saginaw counties, though only about 100 rods of the drain will be in Shiawassee county. The excavation work for the drain was given to the Woolman Construction Company, their bid of \$30,000 being the lowest. There will be eight new bridges over the drain and three old ones, which will be re-enforced. The superstructure of the bridges was awarded to Hoadley Stewart at \$4,663. The concrete work was let to Royal E. Jones, of Brady township, at \$11.50 per cubic foot, this contract being estimated to be worth about \$8,000. The drain will be among the larger drains in Saginaw county, being 12½ miles in length, with a 14-foot and 16-foot bottom. Of the total cost of the drain, 32 per cent will be paid by Shiawassee county and 68 per cent by Saginaw.

BOY TAKES \$585.

Woman Arrested Charged With Stealing it From the Boy.

The five-year-old son of John Seckan, a foreigner living on Watson street, asked his mother for a penny, and on being refused went to her bedroom and took a roll of money containing \$585 and carried it out in the yard where it is claimed by Mrs. Seckan. Mrs. Soe Schrevenagh, next door neighbor, took it from the boy. A warrant was issued Thursday in an effort to recover the money.

The money belonged to two boarders and Seckan, and its loss results from their refusing to put in a bank.

Bowling Leagues Meet.

The Owosso Bowling league held its annual meeting Monday evening in the municipal court room and elected the following officers: President, C. E. Rigley; vice president, Fred H. Steck; secretary, Lawrence Osmer; treasurer, Frank W. Rayen. Teams will be arranged at a later meeting and bowling will begin Oct. 2 at the Brunswick alleys.

The Federal league elected Frank Freeman, president; Gus Drebenstedt, vice president; Fred Randolph, secretary; Roy Brot, treasurer, at a meeting at the Payne shoe store Wednesday. The schedule will be made with eight teams as formerly and bowling will begin Oct. 8.

LEADING PROGRESSIVE DECLARES FOR HUGHES

Gifford Pinchot, Close Friend of Roosevelt, Shows Weakness of Wilson.—Has Been upon Both Sides of Most Questions Since Becoming President.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 7, 1916.

Editor Times:—It is the duty of every American citizen to make and support openly his choice among candidates for the Presidency. That duty is especially solemn this year because great events and great decisions are certain to confront us during the next Administration. I am writing to give you my reasons for my own choice.

I am neither a Democrat nor a Republican, but a Progressive. Yet, there being no Progressive nominees, unless I choose to support a candidate who can not be elected, I must vote for either Wilson or Hughes.

For many months after his inauguration, I thought well of President Wilson. In many respects I liked what he said about what he was going to do. He talked well and made a good impression. It was only when I began to check up what he said by what he did that I was forced to change my view.

In the end I came to see that President Wilson has a greater power than any other man in public life to say one thing but do another, and get away with it.

The facts which justify this statement are common knowledge.

We have all heard him tell Germany publicly that she would be held to strict accountability; and have learned afterward that he had actually let her know secretly at the time, by the month of his Secretary of State through the Austrian Ambassador, that what he said he did not mean. We have all seen him prove that he did not mean it by his total failure to exact reparation, apology, or even disavowal for the murder of Americans on the Lusitania.

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FOR STATE WIDE PROHIBITION

AGAINST SMALLER UNIT SYSTEM

South Venice Farmers' Club Hits the "Wets" Hard.—No Use for "Home Rule."

The members of the South Venice Farmers' Club together with a large number of friends from different parts of the county were royally entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Owen in Venice township, Thursday afternoon, guests to the number of 130 being present. The regular program of the afternoon was shortened to give time for a full discussion upon the two constitutional amendments to be voted upon at the November election, E. O. Dewey, Rev. B. G. Mattson and L. F. Miner, of Owosso, leading in the same. After some remarks by others the following resolutions were adopted by a rising vote, which was practically unanimous so far as the voters present were concerned as but one man failed to vote:

Whereas, Two constitutional amendments vitally affecting the welfare of the people of Michigan are to be voted upon at the election on November 7th, the first proposed by the combined dry forces of the state making possible state-wide prohibition; the second proposed by the wet interests under the misnomer of "home rule" would make possible saloons in counties now dry by giving the smaller unit of township, village and city the privilege of voting saloon licenses, those permitting these small units to force the selling of liquor in counties which would otherwise be saloonless if the county was the unit as provided by the present local option law.

Resolved, That the members of the South Venice Farmers' Club believe state-wide prohibition would result in untold good and in increasing happiness in the homes of Michigan, it is

Resolved, That as individuals we pledge our efforts to promote all endeavors made to secure the adoption of the State Wide Prohibition amendment. It is also further

Resolved, That we consider the saloon a nuisance in any community and detrimental to the advancement of the people along any good line, and with this as our sentiment we will put forth every effort to defeat the attempt of the wets to deceive the voters with their smaller unit scheme. Finally it is

Resolved, That we ask the voters of Shiawassee county to vote "yes" on State Wide Prohibition and "no" on so-called "home rule."

From Booze to Milk.

The American Magazine tells how some of the great industries in this country, recognizing that a man who drinks beer or whiskey is not a good workman and is more liable to accidents than one who does not drink, are trying to win them away from that habit by getting them to drink milk instead.

The Illinois Steel company, employing thousands of men, has put electric signs throughout its plants asking this question: "Did booze ever do you any good—help you to get a better job—contribute to the happiness of your family?"

Other signs notify men that the company does not want them to drink beer or whiskey and warns them that if they persist in it they will lose their jobs. The company sends men through the plant selling milk at cost in the hope that it will be drunk instead of liquors.

The West Steel Casting Company, of Cleveland, has put refrigerators throughout its plant and keeps them filled with fresh, cold milk, which the men can buy at cost. The men used to go to saloons to eat their noon luncheon. Now they eat it out doors in the shade and drink milk with it.

The South Works plant of the Illinois Steel Company began selling milk to its workmen at cost six months ago. It sells fourteen hundred quarts a day. Fourteen saloons near the plant were forced to close for lack of trade.

Best of all, the men in all those plants have learned that milk gives invigorating and lasting strength and they have noticed a great benefit in the change from booze to milk.—Kansas City Star.

The same is true in some of the factories in this city. In one of the iron-working plants the milk dealers find ready sale daily for a large quantity of milk and not a few of the employees admit that the change from beer to milk has proven beneficial.

Judge Bush Saturday made an order committing Mary Oswald, wife of Tony Oswald, of Hazelton township, to the state hospital at Pontiac.

CONG. FORDNEY IN DEMAND

Will Speak in Twelve States—To Be Absent a Month and Will Then Return to This District.

Congressman J. W. Fordney having been invited by both the Republican National and Congressional Committees to present the issue of the campaign in the larger cities of a dozen states now represented in congress by Democrats, accepted the call after presenting the matter to about sixty of his friends from the 8th district at an informal conference held in Greenville on Friday last. Those present unanimously decided that it was his duty to carry the battle into these districts, realizing that for the good of the country it is just as essential to have a Republican majority in both branches of congress as it is to elect Hughes and Fairbanks—and their election is now practically assured. Mr. Fordney left this week, speaking first at Lincoln, Nebraska, after which he will speak in Omaha, Neb.; Sioux City, Iowa; St. Joseph, Kansas City, St. Louis, Jefferson City, Missouri; Topeka, Kansas; Fort Wayne, Vincennes, Indianapolis, Ind.; Cincinnati, Toledo, Columbus, Youngstown, Ohio; Pittsburg, Penn.; Wheeling, West Virginia; Baltimore, Cumberland, Maryland; Wilmington, Delaware; and at two places in New Jersey. S. Q. Pulver, J. Y. Martin, J. H. Collins, E. O. Dewey and E. J. Herick were present at the Greenville gathering.

Current Topic Club.

The Current Topic Club will begin its year's work on Monday afternoon, October second. This will make the third year in the study of Italian History, Literature and Art. The program which has been arranged by Mrs. Albert West, Mrs. A. A. Crawford and Mrs. C. S. Williams, the program committee of the club, is especially interesting and has been arranged and compiled after much study. The following officers will have charge of the club this year: President, Mrs. T. O. Christian; vice president, Mrs. E. O. Dewey; secretary, Mrs. J. C. Osburn; treasurer, Miss G. E. Colt; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Albert West. Following is the program:

October Second—Round Table of Vacation Notes; leader, Mrs. T. O. Christian.

October Ninth—The Transformation of the World by the Renaissance; Mrs. O. L. Davis.

October Sixteenth—Rome during the Renaissance and the Popes who made the City, Mrs. F. B. Woodard.

December Fourth—Notable Women of the Renaissance; Lucretia Borgia, Veronica Gamba, Vittoria Colonna, Mrs. C. S. Williams.

December Eleventh—Life of Michael Angelo; His Sonnets. Mrs. A. M. Hume.

Angelo; Architect, Sculptor, Painter, Mrs. Albert Todd.

Holiday recess.

January Eighth—Ravenna, Palermo, Pisa and Lucca, Mrs. Lee Woodard.

January Fifteenth—Siena, Perugia, Assisi, Mrs. John Detweiler.

January Twenty-Second—Naples, Genoa, Milan, Mrs. Maude Thompson.

January Twenty-Ninth—An open day.

February Fifth—Machiavelli, Mrs. E. O. Dewey.

February Twelfth—Aristotle; Orlando Furioso, Mrs. C. O. Loring.

February Nineteenth—Tasso and His Times, Mrs. C. C. Duff.

February Twenty-Sixth—Child Welfare Day.

March Fifth—Venice, the Bride of the Sea, Mrs. B. G. Evens. Election of officers.

March Twelfth—The Renaissance in Venice; Caraccio, Mrs. Albert West.

March Nineteenth—Bellini, Giorgione and Luini, Mrs. J. O. Parker.

March Twenty-Sixth—Tintoretto, the Shakespeare of Painters, Miss Georgia Colt.

April Second—Veronese and Titian, Mrs. Leon Miner.

April Ninth—President's Day.

Two Given Prison Sentences.

Martin Vavra, foreigner, living in Venice township, who pleaded guilty to an offense against his 18-year-old daughter, was sentenced to serve from six months to ten years at the Ionia reformatory by Judge Miner, Saturday.

Mike Birmingham, horse jockey, who hit his employer in the head with a stone during the fair, was given six months in the Detroit house of correction.

W. A. Seegmiller will make the opening address at the democratic state convention at Mt. Clemens Oct. 3.